



Your pathway to fun! Great parks, great programs, great events, all family friendly!

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Social Media:

* Facebook

Check us out on Facebook at [facebook/richmondiparks](https://www.facebook.com/richmondiparks)

* Twitter

Follow us on Twitter
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Happy New Year!

We are very excited to be ringing in the New Year. Goodbye 2013, and hello 2014! The new year will bring new events, new programs, and with every passing day, summer closer!

This past year was a lot of fun. We had a great JUKO summer program, fun summer movies and concerts, and enjoyed the many other events we put on in our community. We said goodbye to our wonderful Community Recreational Coordinator, Blair Beach, who moved on to pursue other career options, and we filled the gap as best we could with some changes in our office.

Now, we are currently in the planning stages of many great, fun, family-friendly events right here in our Richmond parks! We want people to have fun and enjoy our outdoor space.

If you have any suggestions for an event



in 2014 or suggestions to make any of our annual events better, please let us know. We would love to hear what you have to say. You can give your comments to Alisha via email at aestabrook@richmondindiana.gov or call her at her office (765) 983-7426.

We have two hopes for you as the new year takes off. One, we hope your New Year is wonderful and two, that your 2014 starts off on the right foot.

With the weather forecast, we hope you enjoy Roosevelt Hill for sledding and other snow-related activities, but please be careful. The hill can be lots of fun, but it quickly can be no fun if an injury occurs. On a related note, please be careful when out on the ice-covered roadways!

We hope to see you at our future events! Until our next Parks Department Newsletter, take care!

Meltdown Winter Ice Festival



The Meltdown Winter Ice Festival is an exciting weekend event in Richmond, Indiana focused on a thrilling tour of custom ice sculptures, impressive ice fights, lively winter activities for all ages, and so much more!

It is January 31 - February 2, 2014. Perfect for a good time out with family and friends right before gathering around to watch the Superbowl.

There's a lot happening with the Meltdown Winter Ice Festival. Here are just a few things that are planned:



Family Fun

There are tons of interactive ways

for people of all ages to get involved this winter, including kids activities, ice events, fun, food, games, and more!

Ice Fights

The Meltdown Main Event is the ice fights! They will be bringing in Texas Ice Fighters to carve live sculptures head-on-head

to see who can create the best ice masterpiece. It'll be a challenge like none other. You don't want to miss it. Want a better idea of what an ice fight is? Check out the social media links and watch the ice fight videos!



Daytime Festivities

Throughout the day, the Meltdown is home to some extremely unique and engaging activities for different age ranges. From Ice Ping Pong, to the Ice Sculpture Tour; from The Frozen 5K to the Chili Crawl, this festival is bound to keep you entertained for the weekend!

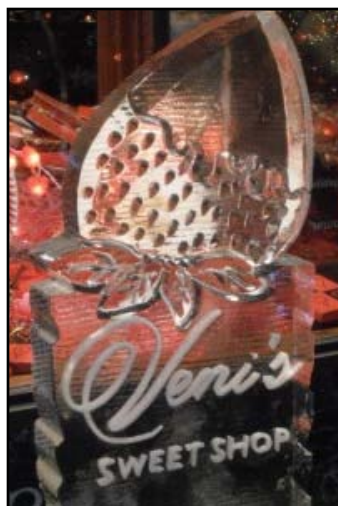


Night Life

The Meltdown Winter Ice Festival night life is booming with fun and exciting events, including the featured ice fights, family oriented fun, and opportunities for the 21 and over crowd.

Block Sponsor

Have your company logo, emblem, or fun business related icon carved into a block of ice, on display during the Meltdown Winter Ice Festival for the public to view on the Sculpture Tour! The block can be displayed either in your storefront, outside, or in another designated area of your choice. This is a fantastic opportunity to get involved in one of the largest festivals our community has seen to date! You can sign up to be a block sponsor on the website. We will contact you after purchase to discuss carving ideas and logo procurement.



Above Photo: Example of company block ice sculpture, made for Veni's Sweet Shop.

With so much planned, you'll want to try to fit in all the sights! For more info, check out the website: richmondmeltdown.com. You can keep up with the

changes on the website, or check out the Festival on social media.

Like them on Facebook: facebook.com/pages/Richmond-Meltdown/247038862113061, and follow them on Twitter: @Meltdown47374



Above Photos: Ice sculpture preview created by one of the ice fighters who will return for the Meltdown Winter Ice Festival displayed during the Richmond Christmas in the Depot.

Cope After-Holiday Recycling

Ever wonder what to do with your dying Christmas tree after the holiday? Donate your tree to Cope Environmental Center and give it new life as trail mulch! We're collecting now through January 31. Just another way to consider the environment this holiday season!

Learn more about it by visiting Cope at 4910 Shoemaker Road in Centerville. You can also find Cope on social media and on their website.



General Information

Our Mission...

The Richmond Parks and Recreation department provides for the positive development and well being of the Richmond community through the provision of parks, greenways, trails and recreational programming and facilities while working in cooperation with other service providers and partners in the community to maximize all available resources.

Volunteer!

We need volunteers to assist us at many of our events. Volunteer tasks may include: setting up

and running children's games, leading arts and crafts, monitoring lines, tearing down, etc.



To show our appreciation for the hours of service donated by our volunteers, we have created an incentive program. Organizations can sign up for the program and then we will keep a log of hours donated. These hours can then be traded for facility rentals. If you would like

more information, please contact our office today!

Get in Touch!

Let us know your comments or concerns! You can contact us through postal mail, phone, email, or you can come visit us in person!



Address:

2200 East Main Street
Glen Miller Park (next to playground)
Richmond, IN 47374

Telephone:

(765) 983-PARK (7275)

Hours:

Monday - Friday;
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
(expect holidays)

Email:

parks@richmondindiana.gov

Website:

richmondindiana.gov,
navigate to the Parks
Department page

Other Numbers:

- * Cordell Municipal Pool:
983-7292
- * Middlefork Reservoir:
983-7293
- * Richmond Community
Senior Center:
983-7300

Facility Rentals

Your Event in the Park

We have enclosed and open-air shelters throughout Richmond. Let one of our cabins, outdoor shelters or pavilions be the host of your special event! From birthday parties to bridal showers to church gatherings, our facilities are perfect places for your groups to meet. Rent by calling (765) 983-7275 or stopping by the Parks Office in Glen Miller Park.

** Most enclosed rentals include indoor restrooms and kitchen facilities.

** A \$50.00 key/damage deposit is required for enclosed facilities when you pick up your key.

** All Open Air Shelters have a 50 percent discount on weekdays (except holidays).

Glen Miller Park

Enclosed Facilities:

Mac's Shack: Capacity: 36
Rate: \$60.00 Holiday Rate: \$85.00

Charles House: Capacity: 40
Rate: \$70.00 Holiday Rate: \$95.00
*Handicap Ramp; A/C

Don's Cabin: Capacity: 66
Rate: \$70.00 Holiday Rate: \$95.00

Glen Miller Band Shell: Certificate of Liability Required
\$275.00/day; \$200 deposit

Open Air Shelters:

Medium Shelters (#3,7-11): Capacity 36 - 54
\$39.75

Large Shelter (#4): Capacity 96
\$45.00

X-Large Shelter (#2): Capacity 120
\$50.50

Starr Gennett Building

Enclosed Facility: Capacity 600
Certificate of Liability Required
\$275.00/day; \$200 deposit

Mary Scott Park

Enclosed Facility: Capacity: 42
Rate: \$70.00 Holiday Rate: \$95.00

Open Air Shelter: Capacity 36
\$45.00

Springwood Lake Park

Enclosed Facility: Capacity 150
Rate: \$150.00 Holiday Rate: \$175.00

Open Air Shelter: Capacity: 36
\$39.75

Middlefork Reservoir

Enclosed Facility: Capacity 54
Available April 1– October 31
Rate: \$65.00 Holiday Rate: \$95.00

Open Air Shelters:
Medium Shelter (#1): Capacity 40
\$45.00

Large Shelters (#3, 4): Capacity 54
\$45.00

Other:

Richmond Senior Community Center - Call 983-7300
Cordell Municipal Pool - Call 983-7292

Notice Under the Americans With Disabilities Act

In accordance with the requirements of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), the City of Richmond, Indiana, will not discriminate against qualified individuals with disabilities on the basis of disability in its services, programs, or activities.

Employment: The City of Richmond, Indiana does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices and complies with all regulations promulgated by the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission under Title I of the ADA.

E f f e c t i v e Communication: The City of Richmond will generally, upon request, provide appropriate aids and services leading to effective communication for qualified persons with disabilities so they can participate equally in the City of Richmond programs, services, and activities, including qualified sign language interpreters, documents in Braille, and other ways of making information and communication accessible to people who have speech, hearing or vision impairments.

Modifications to Policies and Procedures: The City of Richmond will make all reasonable modifications to policies

and programs to ensure that people with disabilities have an equal opportunity to enjoy all of its programs, services, and activities. For example, individuals with service animals are welcome in the City of Richmond offices, even where pets are generally prohibited.

Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the City of Richmond, should contact the office of D. Sue Roberson, ADA Coordinator, by telephone (765-983-7244) or email (sroberson@richmondindiana.gov) as soon as possible but no later than 48 hours before the scheduled event.

The ADA does not require the City of Richmond, Indiana, to take any action that would fundamentally alter the nature of its programs or services, or impose an undue financial or administrative burden. Complaints that a program, service or activity of the City of Richmond, Indiana, is not accessible to persons with disabilities should be directed to D. Sue Roberson, ADA Coordinator, 50 North 5th Street, Richmond, IN 47374, telephone 765-983-

7244, or email sroberson@richmondindiana.gov.

The City of Richmond, Indiana, will not place a surcharge on a particular individual with a disability or any group of individuals with disabilities to cover the cost of providing auxiliary aids/services or reasonable modifications of policy, such as retrieving items from locations that are open to the public but are accessible to persons who use wheelchairs.

City of Richmond, Indiana
Grievance Procedure Under
The American with Disabilities Act

This Grievance Procedure is established for the City of Richmond, Indiana, to meet the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ("ADA"). It may be used by anyone who wishes to file a complaint alleging discrimination on the basis of disability in the provision of services, activities, programs, or benefits by the City of Richmond, Indiana. The City's Personnel Policy governs employment-related complaints of disability discrimination.

The complaint should be in writing and contain information about the alleged discrimination such as name, address, phone number of complainant and location,

date and description of the problem. Alternative means of filing complaints, such as personal interviews or a tape recording of the complaint will be made available for persons with disabilities upon request. The complaint should be submitted by the grievant and/or his/her designee as soon as possible but no later than 60 calendar days after the alleged violation to:

D. Sue Roberson
ADA Coordination/
Director of Human Resources
City of Richmond, Indiana
50 North Fifth Street
Richmond, IN 47374

Within 15 calendar days after receipt of the complaint, D. Sue Roberson as ADA Coordinator, or her designee, will meet with complainant to discuss the complaint and the possible resolutions. Within 15 calendar days of the meeting, D. Sue Roberson as ADA Coordinator, or her designee, will respond in writing, and where appropriate, in a format accessible to the complainant, such as large print, Braille, or audio tape. The response will explain the position of the City of Richmond, Indiana, and offer options for substantive resolution of the complaint.

Staff Directory

Administration Staff

Bill Thistlethwaite	Superintendent	983-7276	billt@richmondindiana.gov
Jim Dykes	Assistant, Superintendent	983-7423	jdykes@richmondindiana.gov
Christy Mosey	Business Manager	983-7271	
Sheila Mills	Administrative Assistant	983-7270	
Faye Paul	Receptionist	983-7275	
Penny Klusman	Part-time Bookkeeper	983-7277	

Recreation Staff

Alisha Estabrook	Special Projects Coordinator	983-7420	aestabrook@richmondindiana.gov
Leslie Hall	Senior Services Coordinator	983-7300	lhall@richmondindiana.gov
Marshall Ma	Wellness Coordinator	983-7425	marshall@richmondindiana.gov
Larry Swihart	Golf Division Director	983-7287	lswihart@richmondindiana.gov

Parks and Recreation Board

Deanna Beaman, President
Mike Foley, Vice President
Dr. Karen Montgomery, Member
Gary Turner, Member
Clay Miller, City Council Liaison

Important Phone Numbers

Maintenance Building 983-7319
Municipal Pool 983-7292
Senior Center 983-7300
Middlefork Reservoir 983-7293
Highland Lake Golf Course 983-7287